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A few records of the Barney Family, arranged in this form from material gathered while in search for a certain line, and which may be of value possibly to those who are in search of the name Barney.

The Hosmers are also included in this volume, and other material relating to this family will be found in a separate work under title of "James Hosmer — Cambridge, 1635 — settled in Concord soon after."—Privately Printed, 1911.

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BARNEY

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(Barney, Berney, Barne, Barnie)

BERNEY, of Parkhall, in Reedham, Norfolk
Created Baronet May 5, 1620

This ancient family were denominated from the town of Berney, near Wallingham, in this County, where they were seated about the time of the Conquest, and have ever since been of considerable note.

In some very ancient writings, which belonged to the Priory of Byham,

1. *Roger de Berney*, is found mentioned as Lord of Berney, as also

2. *Sir Henry de Berney*, Knt., his son; whose son,

3. *Richard de Berney* by Catherine, daughter of Roger Gygney, Esq., had issue,

4. *Henry de Berney* who lived at Berney, 1268, and was father of

5. *John de Berney*, who resided chiefly in the city of Norwich, at his capital messuage there, called Berney's Inn, which, or another of the same name, that came into the family with the estates at Reedham, by marriage, very soon after this time, has continued in it ever since. This John de Berney, married Joan, daughter and heiress of Bartholomew de Witchingham, Esq.; he left issue by her,

6. *John de Berney* who resided at Witchingham. He was one of the Citizens for Norwich, in the Parlia-

ment held at York, 9 Edw. III; also, he, with Robert Clare, Esq., were the King's Commissioners, before an inquest was taken upon a writ of *Ad quod damnum* concerning the fee of the castle of Norwich, 19 Edw. III. In the following year he was elected one of the Knights of the Shire for the county of Norfolk, as he was again two years afterwards, 22 Ed. III, together with the said Robert Clare, Esq.; and were allowed £14 10s. for thirty-four days' attendance. He also served in Parliament, 31 Edward III, and for attending thirty-two days had £6 8s. allowed for his expenses. His first wife was Sarah, daughter of Bartholomew Batman, and his second Catharine, daughter of Peter Bedingfield, Esq. He left two sons, Robert and Thomas. The eldest, Sir Robert Berney, who was a Knight Batchelor of the Duke of Guyen and Lancaster, continued at Witchingham, and from whom were descended the two branches of the family, viz, the Witchingham and Gunton, which having continued several descents are now extinct. This Sir Robert married Margaret, second daughter, and one of the co-heiresses of Walter de Walcot, who was a lineal descendant of two very ancient families united in him; one derived from Sir Clement Clopton, Knt., and the other from Sir Matthew de Gunton, Knt., who lived 22 Hen. I, 1122. Margery, another sister to the said Margaret, was a nun in Carrow Abbey. By this marriage he had the manor of Gunton, where, four generations afterwards, a Sir Robert Berney, his descendant, who was Steward of Lord Morley, Marshal of Ireland, and Sheriff of Norfolk and Suffolk, 7 and 11 of Henry IV, built a very capital house.

7. *Thomas de Berney*, second son of the above mentioned John Berney de Witchingham, who was after-

wards knighted, married Margaret, daughter and heiress of Sir Robert Caston, Knt., of a very ancient family seated at Reedham, in Norfolk, at the time of the Conqueror's survey. By this marriage, besides several other estates and lordships, he had the manor of Reedham, whither he removed in the reign of Edward III, from Witchingham, which continued the seat of his elder brother, Sir Robert, and his descendants, as above mentioned, and Reedham became the seat of this branch of the family.

8. *John Berney* of Reedham, his son and heir, married Isabel, daughter and heiress of Sir John Herringham, Knt., and died anno 1440, leaving issue three sons: 1. Thomas; 2. Robert, of Barrow, Knt., and 3. John, who died issueless, 1461.

9. *Thomas Berney* de Reedham, the eldest son, by Eva, daughter of John Clipsby, Esq., left issue,

10. *John Berney* of Reedham, who married Catharine, daughter of Osbert Munford, of Hockwold, whose son and heir,

11. *John Berney* de Reedham, married, first, a daughter of Richard Southwell, Esq.; and afterwards a daughter of John Wentworth, of Suffolk, leaving issue,

12. *John de Berney* of Reedham, whose first wife was Margaret, daughter of William Reade, of Beccles, in Suffolk, and his second, Alice, daughter of Richard Joyner, and relict of Paul Sydnor, of Kent, Esq.; he died 1557, leaving issue, Thomasine, married to Thomas Osborne, of Kirby, Bedon, Esq.; another daughter married to ——— Sydnor, of Blundelson, Esq.; Mary married to Robert Jenny, of Heringfleet; and the

youngest to ——— Cuddon of Shadingfield, all in Suffolk; also one son and heir,

13. *Henry Berney* de Reedham, who, in the reign of Philip and Mary, removed the old seat of the family, which stood near the church at Reedham, into the park there, in which he built a magnificent house (part of which is now standing) and made very large gardens, anno 1577, calling it Park-hall, in Reedham. He died 1584, having a numerous issue, by Alice his first wife, daughter of Roger Appleton, of Comb, in Essex, and Agnes, his second, who was daughter of Walter Clarke, of Hadley, in Suffolk, Esq.; and heiress of her brother Edward. Of whom

14. *Sir Thomas Berney* de Reedham, Knt., his eldest son and heir, was High Sheriff of Norfolk, 7 James I, 1609, and died 1616, leaving issue by Juliana, daughter of Sir Thomas Gaudy, of Redenhall, in Norfolk, Knt., one of the Justices of the Common Pleas, several children. Of whom William, the eldest son, married the daughter of the Lord Chief Justice Coke, but had no issue; and John, the second son, dying unmarried; Richard, the third son, became his heir. Thomas, the seventh, and youngest son was High Sheriff of Norfolk, 22 Charles I, 1647, and married Dorothy, daughter of John Smith, of Arminghall, from whom is descended that branch of the family which resided for a long time in Swardston, but is now removed to Bracon, the seat of the present John Berney, Esq.; his descendant, who was High Sheriff of Norfolk, 1760.

15. *Sir Richard Berney* de Reedham, the third son of Sir Thomas, by his two elder brothers dying without issue, became his heir, and was created a Baronet

May 5, 1620, the 18th of James I. He was High Sheriff of Norfolk, the 20th of the same King, 1622, and died 1668. By Anne, daughter of Michael Smallpage, of Chichester, in Sussez, Esq.; besides four daughters he had 1. Sir Thomas, his eldest son; 2. Richard; 3. John; 4. William; 5. Henry. He left all his estates at Reedham, and elsewhere, belonging to the family, to his second son, Richard Berney de Reedham, Esq.; who was twice High Sheriff of Norfolk, 14 Charles II, 1662, and also the 22d of the same King, 1670. He married a daughter of Sir Jacob Gerrard, of Langford, in Norfolk, Bart., and by her had only one son and heir, Richard Berney de Reedham, Esq.; who was High Sheriff of Norfolk, 4 William III, 1692, and died the same year unmarried. He lies buried on the south side of the chancel, in the church at Reedham, with many of this family, of which he was the last who resided or enjoyed the estates there, after they had been in the possession of his ancestors for many generations, from the marriage of the above mentioned Thomas Berney, second son of John Berney de Witchingham, with Margaret, daughter and heiress of the said William de Reedham, in the reign of Ed. III. John Berney of Westwick, third son of Sir Richard, married Susan, daughter of John Stains, and left two sons, John and Richard. The eldest, John Berney, married first, Bridget, daughter of William Branthwayte, of Hethel, Esq.; and had two daughters, Julian, married to Thomas Brograve, of Hertfordshire, Esq.; and Elizabeth, to John Petre, now of Westwick, Esq.; to his second wife, he married Elizabeth, daughter of Maurice Kendall, of Northwalsham, Esq.; but by her had no issue. Richard Berney, late of Langley, in Norfolk, second son of John Berney, of Westwick, was formerly

Recorder of Norwich, for which city he was returned Member in the two last Parliaments of Queen Anne. By Mary, daughter of Augustin Briggs, of the same city, Esq., he left issue only one daughter, Elizabeth, married to Thomas Branston, of Skreens, in Essez, Esq.; formerly one of the Knights of the Shire for that county. William, the fourth son of Richard, married a daughter of Thomas Browne, of Elsinghall, in Norfolk, Esq., and had issue. Henry, the fifth son, died a batchelor.

16. *Sir Thomas Berney*, of Norwich, Bart. (eldest son of Sir Richard), by Sarah, his second wife, daughter of Thomas Tyrrel, of Essez, Esq., Governor of Landguard Fort, on the restoration of Charles II, had several children; of whom John Berney, of Wesenham, Esq., the third son, married Philippa, daughter of Thomas Browne, of Elsing, Esq.; and besides other issue left Thomas Berney, Esq., the late Recorder of Lynn Regis in Norfolk, who married Julian, one of the daughters of Sir Richard Berney, of Kirby, Bart., hereafter mentioned, by whom he had issue two sons, Thomas and Richard, both now living at Lynn. William Berney, Clerk, fourth son of Sir Thomas, late of Worstead, and Rector of Stokesby and Westwick, by Mary, daughter of Henry Hancock, Gent., had one son, William Berney, Rector of Newton Flotman, in Norfolk, who married Dorothy, another daughter of the said Richard Berney, of Kirby, Bart., by whom he had several children of which Richard Berney, his eldest son and heir, is Rector of Westwick, and continues now to reside at Worstead. Sir Thomas Berney died 1693, and was succeeded by

17. *Sir Richard Berney* of Kirby Bedon, Bart., his chief son and heir, who married Dorothy, daughter of

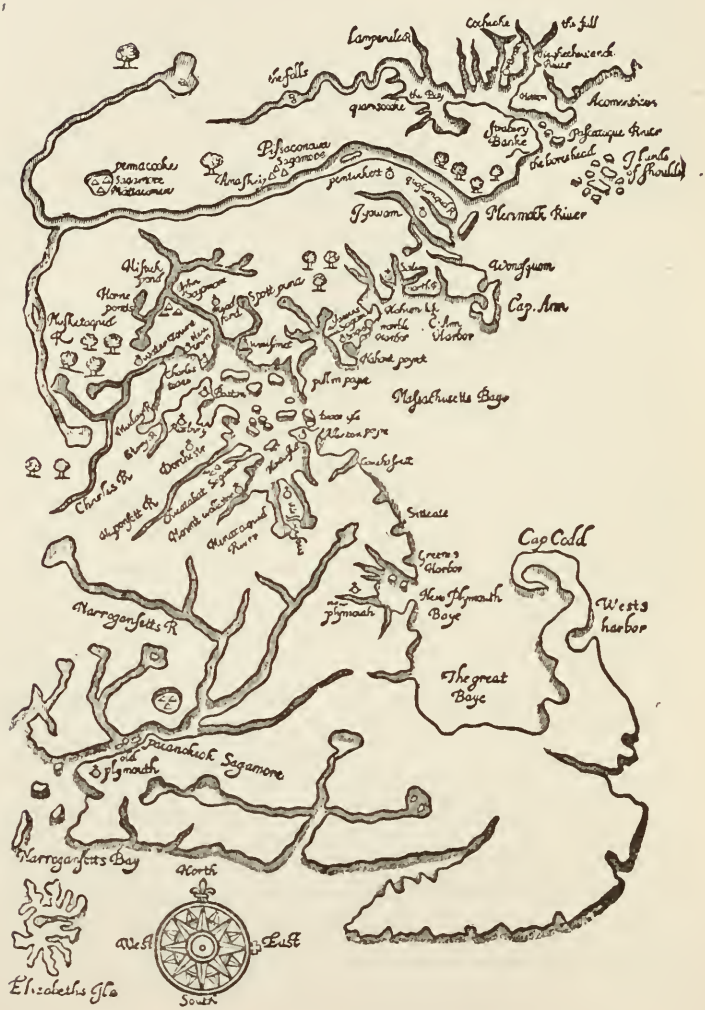
William Branthwayte, of Hethel, Esq.; and had a numerous issue, of which, besides the two daughters married as above mentioned, and Sir Richard, and Sir Thomas, who succeeded to the title, Robert, his third son, resided several years, and died in Barbadoes; John Berney, his eighth son, Doctor of Divinity, is one of His Majesty's Chaplains in Ordinary, Arch-Deacon of Norwich, and Rector of Saxlingham, and Hetherfert, where he now resides. He married the eldest daughter, and one of the co-heiresses of John Baron, D.D., late Dean of Norwich, by whom he has no issue. Sir Richard died 1706 and was succeeded in title and estate by his eldest son and heir,

18. *Sir Richard Berney* of Kirby Bedon, who died unmarried, 1710, at the age of twenty-two years, by which means the title and estate descended to

19. *Sir Thomas Berney* of Kirby Bedon, his next brother, who married Elizabeth, only daughter and heiress of Simon Folkes of Suffolk, Esq., by Elizabeth, his wife, who was daughter and one of the co-heiresses of Samuel Hanson, of the island of Barbadoes, Esq., by whom a plantation called Hanson's, in that island, came into the family. He died 1742 and left issue only two sons, Hanson, his successor, and Richard, four other children having died in their infancy. Richard Berney lies now in Norwich and is Rector of Stokesby and Bramerton in that county, and,

20. *Sir Hanson Berney* of Kirby Bedon, the present Baronet, the twentieth male heir, in a lineal descent, from Roger de Berney, succeeded his father, Sir Thomas, in title and estate.

The South part of New-England, as it is Planted this yeare, 1634.



Jacob Barney Came to Salem, Massachusetts, 1634

BARNEY

BARNEY

I Jacob, Salem, 1634

II Jacob

III John

IV William

V William

VI Jairus Sidney (married Harriet Hosmer)

VII Everett Hosmer

VIII George Murray

BARNEY

BARNEY, EDWARD, of Bradenham or Braddenham, county of Bucks, England, yeoman, in his will dated October 9, 1643, makes a bequest to his son Jacob "if he be living at time of my death and come over to England."

I JACOB[1], the emigrant ancestor of the family, was a son of Edward Barney. He was born in England, 1601, tailor, landed in Salem, 1634, was made a freeman May 14, 1634, and died in Salem April 28, 1673, aged seventy-two years. Administration was granted on his estate and an inventory taken June 2, 1673. John Cromwell is called his son-in-law and an heir to his estate. His wife, whose name was Elizabeth, survived him. He opposed the sentence of the General Court against those who petitioned for freer franchise. This indicates that he was more liberal in his religious views than were most of his contemporaries. At a town meeting held February 2, 1639, Jacob Barney was granted fifty acres of meadow and January 28, 1650, he was again granted fifty acres. Jacob Barney sold land to John Hardy previous to 1652, which was near Cold Spring at the head of South River, Essex County, Massachusetts, Registry of Deeds, Volume 1. Jacob Barney's name appears often in the early records of Salem as an appraiser of estates. A well known writer says of Jacob: "An intelligent merchant, often selectman, deputy to the General Court,—1635–38–47–53–55, and served on the first grand jury that ever sat in this country."

Children of Jacob[1] and Elizabeth Barney:

1. Jacob, born in England, died February 12, 1692–3, Rehoboth, Massachusetts.

2. Sarah, married John Grover May 13, 1656, died November 26, 1662.

3. Hannah, married John Cromwell of Salem. He died September, 1700.

4. John, baptized in Salem December 15, 1639, died before April 28, 1673. John Barney must have died before his father, as in the settlement of his estate in 1673, Jacob junior is called "only son." The agreement is dated September 30, 1673, and is signed by the heirs—Jacob Barney, Elizabeth Barney (widow), John Cromwell, John Grover.

Jacob Barney, 1634, was Without Doubt Buried in This Old Cemetery
Salem, Massachusetts

"These grounds, the first place set apart in Salem for the burial of the dead and since 1637 known as the Burying Point, contains the graves of Governor Bradstreet, Chief Justice Lynde and others, whose virtues, honors, courage and sagacity have nobly illustrated the history of Salem."

II JACOB[2], eldest son of Jacob[1] and Elizabeth Barney and the only son surviving childhood, was a Baptist minister and founded churches in Charlestown and Swansea, and is probably the one who in 1668, was one of the founders of the First Baptist Society of Boston. At a meeting of the seven men, April 5, 1652, he was granted thirty acres of land to be laid out with fifty acres formerly granted to his father. From Salem he removed not earlier than 1673, (for one of his children was born in Salem that year,) to Bristol, Rhode Island and Rehoboth, Massachusetts. Married first, by Major Hathorne in Salem, August 18, 1657, Hannah Johnson, who died June 5, 1659. Had son Josiah born 1658. Settled in Rehoboth and Swansea in the year 1690. (There is no record found as yet who Josiah married nor is there a record of the children if any were born to him. It would seem possible, however, that William Barney, Baltimore, about 1695, ancestor of Commodore Joshua Barney, might have been a descendant of Josiah as the dates conform.) Married second by Captain Marshall, April 26, 1660, Ann Witt, daughter of Jonathan and Sarah Witt of Lynn (or Salem), who died in Rehoboth March 17, 1701. His will was made July 13, 1692, and probated February 20, 1693, wife Ann executrix. He died February 12, 1693.

Children of Jacob[2]:

1. Josiah, born 1658.
2. Hannah, born March 2, 1661, Salem, probably married Joshua Boynton, Newbury, Massachusetts, April 9, 1678, and died before 1681.
3. Sarah, born September 12, 1661, Salem; married Henry Hampton.

HISTORICAL
MAP OF ACTON,

SHOWING THE

OCCUPANTS OF THE OLD HOMESTEADS,

AND THE OLD TOWN WAYS,

with dates of laying out, as known from the old records and the recollections of some of the oldest inhabitants.

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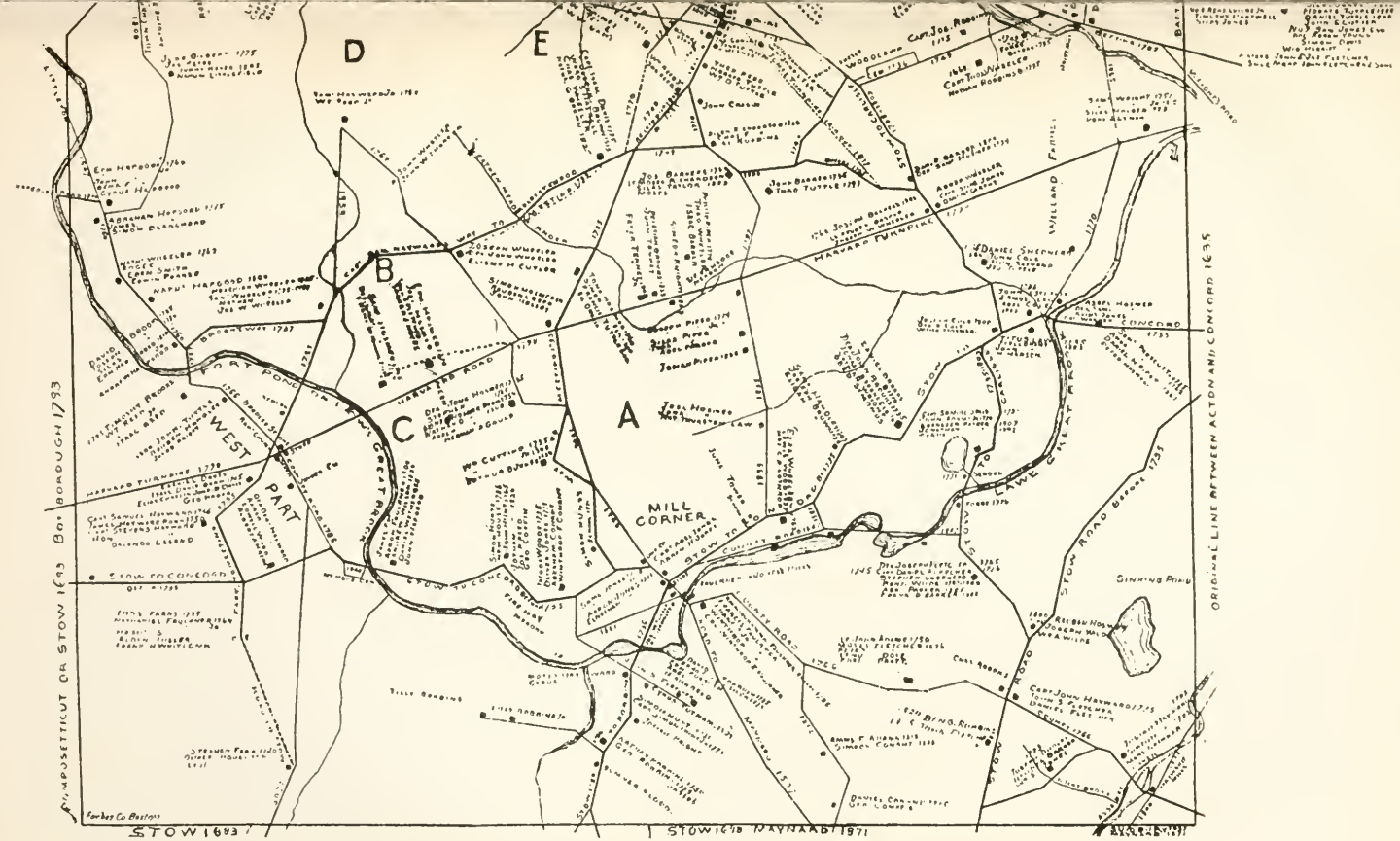


A–B Joel Hosmer.
Grandfather to Everett Hosmer Barney.

C Abner Hosmer.
Killed in the Concord Fight, April 19, 1775.
Relative of Everett Hosmer Barney.

D James Hayward.
Killed in the Concord Fight, April 19, 1775.
Relative of Everett Hosmer Barney.

E Captain Isaac Davis
Killed in Concord Fight, April 19, 1775.

Jairus Sidney Barney
Harriet Hosmer Barney
Paxonville, Framingham, Mass.

4. Abigail, born October 31, 1663, Salem; married Peter Marshall, Newbury, Massachusetts.

5. John, born June 1, 1665, Salem; died May, 1728, Taunton.

6. Jacob, born May 21, 1667, Salem, probably died between 1687 and 1692.

7. Ruth, born September 27, 1669, Salem; was unmarried in 1688. (Witnessed a paper signed February 18, 1688).

8. Dorcas, by Ann, wife, born April 22, 1671, Salem; married Daniel Throope, August 23, 1689, Bristol, Rhode Island; died between 1692 and 1697.

9. Joseph, born March 9, 1673, Salem; married Constance Davis of Haverhill September, 1692; lived in Swansea; died February 5, 1730, at Rehoboth.

10. Israel, born June 17, 1675, lived in Rehoboth; married Elizabeth Barrett, November 18, 1696.

11. Jonathan, born March 29, 1677; married Sarah Griffin and lived in Rehoboth.

12. Samuel, born February 10, 1678, living in 1692.

13. Hannah, (again) born February 6, 1680.

III JOHN[3], son of Jacob[2] and Ann (Witt) Barney; born June 1, 1665, Salem, Massachusetts; married Mary, daughter of Deacon William Throope, Bristol, Rhode Island, November 4, 1686. He lived in Bristol, Rhode Island, Swansea and Rehoboth, Massachusetts, coming to Taunton in 1710, and bought the house and land of John Rogers, formerly the residence of Robert Thornton, one of the first purchasers of Taunton. The location is to be found on a map published in 1728. He was at one time a Deputy Sheriff. The first record we find of Thornton is in 1656.

Died May, 1728.

Children of John[3] and Mary (Throope) Barney:

1. Mary, born November 14, 1688, Bristol, Rhode Island; married William Carpenter.

2. John, born May 13, 1690, Bristol, Rhode Island; died in infancy.

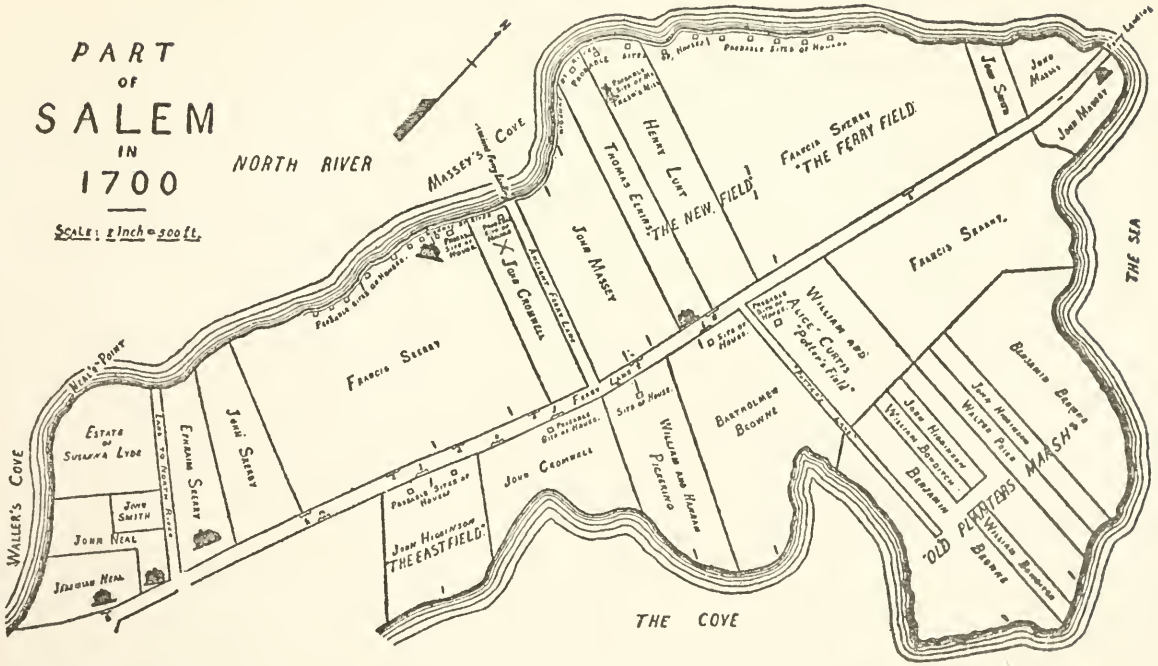
3. Elizabeth, born October 4, 1691, Bristol, Rhode Island; married Peter Caswell.

4. Anna, born November 23, 1693, Bristol, Rhode Island; married William Leonard.

5. Jacob, born January 16, 1695, Bristol, Rhode Island; married Mary, daughter of Samuel Danforth; died 1731. Had only Hannah.

6. John, born September 27, 1698, Bristol, Rhode Island; married Mary, daughter of Thomas Leonard.

7. William, "The Elder," born March 26, 1701, Bristol, Rhode Island; died prior to November 26, 1763, Taunton, Massachusetts.



Courtesy of Essex Institute

* John Cromwell married Hannah, daughter of Jacob Barney the first
Jacob Barney is ancestor of Everett Hosmer Barney

8. Jonathan, born 1703; married Anna Dean.

9. Sarah, born October 28, 1705, Bristol, Rhode Island; married James Williams, was living in 1738.

10. Joseph, born May 16, 1708, Swansea, Massachusetts; married Susanna Shaw December 25, 1729, Taunton, Massachusetts. Went to Ashford, Connecticut. Had son Joseph, and possibly others.

IV WILLIAM[4] (called "The Elder" of the Church), son of John[3] and Mary (Throope) Barney, born March 26, 1701, Bristol, Rhode Island; married Anna Williams, born 1708, Taunton, daughter of Emmanuel Williams; died prior to November 26, 1763, Taunton, Massachusetts.

Children of William[4] and Anna (Williams) Barney:

1. Jonathan. (Can learn nothing of him except in deeds concerning his father's estate.)
2. William.
3. Sibyl, married Ephraim Pray, Berkley, 1763.
4. Anna.

V WILLIAM[5], son of William[4] and Anna (Williams) Barney, Taunton, Massachusetts (father of Jairus Sidney Barney and grandfather to Everett Hosmer Barney, Springfield, Massachusetts.) The records of Taunton were burned in 1838 and it is impossible to determine the date of his birth or death. From Page 13*a* and 13*b*. Signed Deed May 5, 1823. Recorded Bristol County Registry of Deeds Book 121, Page 239. Married (first) Margaret Sandford, January 10, 1760, Taunton, Massachusetts. Married (second) Wealtha Staples, born March 22, 1759. (As widow of William Barney she married Captain Seth Keith of Middleborough, Massachusetts, December 27, 1826. (R. I. Vital, Page 330, Vol. 19, gives this date as February 9, 1827.) She died Berkley, Massachusetts, July 23, 1854.

Children of William[5] and Margaret (Sandford) Barney:

1. Benjamin, born about 1760; married Deborah Crapo December 11, 1783, Taunton, Massachusetts.

2. William, born about 1762; married Mercy Crapo February 10, 1784, Taunton, Massachusetts; died Jefferson County, New York.

3. George, born May 24, 1766; married Waitstill Crapo January 1, 1792, Taunton, Massachusetts; died January 14, 1853, Collins, Erie County, New York.

4. Anna, married Consider Crapo April 23, 1795, Taunton, Massachusetts; died Victory, Cayuga County, New York.

Home Lot of Jairus Sidney Barney
Saxonville–Framingham

Cemetery, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

Congregational Church
Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts
Established in 1832

Jairus Sidney Barney
was one of the Original Trustees

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EVERETT HOSMER BARNEY

5. Joshua, born March 2, 1778, Taunton, Massachusetts; married Chloe Caswell September 6, 1804, Taunton, Massachusetts; died April 29, 1861, Springfield, Massachusetts. (He is buried in Peabody Cemetery, Springfield, Massachusetts, lot near Pine street entrance.)

Children of William[5] and Wealtha (Staples) Barney:

1. Polly (Mary), born February 17, 1798; married Philip Caswell, son of Ephraim and Phebe Caswell, November 29, 1818; died December 5 1859. He was born December 15, 1790, Berkley, Massachusetts; died January 10, 1860.
2. Jairus Sidney (father of Everett Hosmer Barney), born February 4, 1799, Taunton, Massachusetts; married Harriet Hosmer, daughter of Joel Hosmer, Acton, Massachusetts, October 14, 1827; died December 27, 1859, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts.
3. Wealtha, married William Paull of Lakeville, Massachusetts; died April 26, 1892, Taunton. He died May 22, 1878, Lakeville, Massachusetts.

VI JAIRUS SIDNEY[6], son of William[5] and Wealtha (Staples) Barney, born February 4, 1799, Taunton, Massachusetts; married Harriet, daughter of Joel Hosmer, Acton, Massachusetts, October 14, 1827; died December 27, 1859, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts.

Children of Jairus Sidney[6] and Harriet (Hosmer) Barney:

1. Edmund H., born September 13, 1828, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts; died June 16, 1829.
2. Susan A., born May 14, 1830, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts; married D. H. Byrnes; died December 3, 1860.
3. William H., born December 28, 1831, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts; died April 4, 1857.
4. Edward A., born November 24, 1833, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts; died May 3, 1836.
5. Everett Hosmer, born December 7, 1835, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts.
6. George W., born January 26, 1838, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts.
7. Eugene H., born August 11, 1840, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts; died January 27, 1861.
8. Helen C., born October 30, 1842, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts; died June 2, 1861.
9. Adel V., born May 7, 1845, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts.

VII EVERETT HOSMER[7], son of Jairus Sidney[6] and Harriet (Hosmer) Barney.

Born December 7, 1835, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts.

Married Eliza Jane Knowles, born Belfast, Maine, June 30, 1830, daughter of Lafayette Knowles, who was born Northport, Maine, 1799: occupation, farmer; he died May 18, 1865. His wife was Eliza Crockett, born Canterbury, New Hampshire, 1804. She died December 28, 1876. Eliza Jane (Knowles) Barney died April 29, 1905.

VIII GEORGE MURRAY[8], son of Everett Hosmer[7] Barney.

Born March 27, 1863.

Died May 29, 1889.

EMMANUEL WILLIAMS

Emmanuel Williams of Taunton, Mass., and some of his descendants

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I Emmanuel[1] Williams was one of the early settlers of Taunton, Mass. All that is known of him is that he married Abigail Makepeace of Freetown, Mass., about 1703. She was daughter of William and Abigail (Tisdale) Makepeace of Freetown and Taunton, Mass. She was born November 25, 1686, and died about 1724. Emmanuel Williams died about 1719. An inventory of his estate was presented July 4, 1720, by Abigail Williams, administratrix.

As a fire in 1838 consumed most of the Taunton town records and the early church records have disappeared, it is quite difficult to trace the early families.

He was probably born at least as early as 1680 and perhaps earlier.

Children, born in Taunton:

1. John[2], b. 1704; m. Elizabeth Caswell.
2. Gershom, b. 1706; m. Aug. 2, 1729, Abigail Waldron.
3. Anna, b. 1708; m. William, son of John Barney.
4. Lydia, b. 1710; m. Feb. 10, 1731, John Terry of Freetown.
5. Phebe, b. 1712. Not traced.
6. Simeon, b. 1716. Not traced.

II ANNA[2] WILLIAMS (Emmanuel[1]), born in Taunton in 1708, married William Barney, son of John Barney.

Children, born in Taunton:

1. William Barney
2. Jonathan Barney
3. Anna Barney
4. Sibyl Barney, m. Ephraim Pray of Berkley, Nov. 14, 1763

On the 28th of May, 1665, the Baptist Church in Charlestown, Massachusetts, was gathered and on the same day Thomas Gould, Thomas Osborne, Edward Drinker and John George were baptized. They joined with Richard Goodall, William Turner, Robert Lambert, Mary Goodall and Mary Newall, who has been of the same order in Old England. Before the year 1669, Isaac Hull, John Farnum, *Jacob Barney*, John Russell, Junior, John Johnson, George Farlow, Benjamin Sweetser, Mrs. Sweetser and Ellis Callender were all connected with the same church. The General Court had previously passed a law forbidding any persons to form a church or to meet for religious service without the consent of the magistrates. The above first named persons had violated the law. They were accordingly brought before the Court of Assistants, and in September of the same year (1665) Gould, Turner, Osborne, Drinker and George were sentenced to be disfranchised (such of them as were free men), and upon conviction of their further proceeding therein, to be committed to prison. On the 17th of April, following, they were again indicted before the County Court at Cambridge, for absenting themselves from public worship. Gould, Osborne and George were fined four pounds each, and for refusing to bind themselves for their appearance at the next Court of Assistants, were committed to prison. Finally, Gould, Turner and Farnum were banished from the jurisdiction, but it does not appear that either of them complied with the sentence.

BILLINGS

BILLINGS

I Nathaniel

II Nathaniel

III Prudence (married Stephen Hosmer, the second Stephen)

IV Ephraim Hosmer

V Joel Hosmer

VI Harriet Hosmer (Married Jairus Sidney Barney)

VII Everett Hosmer Barney

VIII George Murray Barney

BILLINGS

A stone has recently been placed in the old graveyard on Main Street (Concord), in memory of one of the founders of this town, after sleeping for over two hundred years in an unmarked grave.

The following is the inscription:

"In memory of Nathaniel Billings, one of the earliest settlers in and supposed to be one of the founders of the town of Concord, died August 24, 1673, a patriot and a freeman. He was one of the signers to the Memorial of 1664 to the General Court, who pledged their lives and estates to maintain their charter rights. Erected August 24, 1890, by some of his descendants."

IN MEMORIAM
NATHANIEL BILLINGS
ONE OF THE EARLIEST
SETTLERS IN AND SUPPOSED
TO BE ONE OF THE FOUNDERS
OF THE TOWN OF CONCORD
DIED AUG. 24. 1673.
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Barney Genealogy

Mrs. General C. H. Barney,
Hackensack, N. J.

This record was compiled from one belonging to Benniah Barney, brother of the first Daniel, by Mrs. Angeline Mason, eldest daughter of Mason Barney, in 1893—when she was ninety years of age. She was a veritable encyclopedia of the family genealogy. Also supplemented from a Genealogical Dictionary published in Boston in 1883.

I Jacob Barney, born in Wales, came from England and settled in Salem, Massachusetts, 1634. He seems to have been a prominent man in the Colonies, as it is a matter of record that he was Representative in 1635–38–47–53. He died in 1673 at the age of seventy-two years.

II Jacob, son of Jacob first, by a marriage with Hannah Thompson, had a son Josiah, and by a second marriage with Ann Witt had a son Joseph and many others. From these two half brothers, Josiah and Joseph, who settled in the towns of Rehoboth and Swansea, Massachusetts, in the year 1690, descended the families of Mason Barney, the noted ship-builder, Caleb (my grandfather) and Hiram Barney. The following is a list of the direct descendants from Joseph to Mason:

III Joseph, born, 1673, married Constance Davis.

IV Daniel, born 1697, married Alice or Freelove Wheaton.

V Daniel, born 1736, married Rachel Bowen.

VI Jonathan, born ——, married Elizabeth Mason.

VII Mason, born 1782, married Martha Smith; second wife, Polly Grant.

Mason Barney was the noted ship-builder of Barneysville, Swansea, Massachusetts, who died in 1868.

There are four generations now living following Mason.

From Jacob to Caleb Barney and the Latter's Children

I Jacob.

II Jacob.

III Josiah, born 1658 or 1659. I have put two records together to get this one, and here there seems to be a hiatus. One, or possibly two generations following Josiah[1] do not appear on the old record, and still are too far in the past to come on the later one. As Caleb descended from the elder of the half brothers, it is possible that one generation is lost, and highly probable that this Josiah might have had a son named for himself who was the father of Christopher. This is merely supposition, and in the Genealogical Dictionary, published in Boston in 1883, Caleb appears as the fifth generation from Jacob the

first, and it is only reasonable to suppose that there must have been a generation or two not recorded. Caleb was in the same generation with Mason, being but eight years the elder.

Josiah had three sons and one daughter, viz: Josiah, Israel, Christopher and Abigail Merry.

IV Christopher was born in 1739 and married Experience Smith. Experience died September, 1793, and Christopher, September 25, 1823. They had four sons, viz: William who had one child but left none, and died in 1849, aged seventy-seven years. Caleb married Elizabeth Wood and had seventeen children. Elizabeth died May 25, 1839, and on October 23, 1840, Caleb married Roby Wood, a cousin of the first wife. Caleb died June 11, 1857, aged eighty-two years and six months, leaving thirteen children and his second wife, Roby, died February 24, 1885, aged ninety-five years and five months.

Ambrose left four children. He died 1838, aged sixty years. Wheaton died when a child.

V Caleb, son of Christopher and Experience Barney, born December 10, 1774, Elizabeth Barney (*née* Wood) his wife, born May 3, 1776. Their children were:

Name	Birth	Death
Isaiah	Oct. 1, 1795	May 14, 1850
Barbara	Feb. 19, 1797	May 7, 1888
Ruth	Feb. 27, 1798	Oct. 24, 1871
Almira	Sept. 10, 1799	May 11, 1802
Abby	Dec. 10, 1800	Oct. 21, 1801
Amanda	Mar. 16, 1802	Sept. 15, 1878

Name	Birth	Death
Dexter	Nov. 25, 1803	June 11, 1859
Fidelia	Jan. 31, 1805	May 2, 1890
Christopher C.	Oct. 27, 1808	Sept. 4, 1884
Randall	June 30, 1808	June 22, 1811
Elbridge G.	Mar. 8, 1810	May 26, 1893
Lucinda W.	Oct. 11, 1811	
David W.	May 3, 1813	May 8, 1881
Philander	June 25, 1815	Mar. 10, 1882
Caleb R.	Nov. 11, 1816	
Richard A.	Nov. 26, 1818	May, 1863
Welcome	June 4, 1821	

There are four generations now living following Caleb.

From Jacob to Hiram Barney

I Jacob.

II Jacob.

III Joseph.

IV Daniel.

V Daniel.

VI Daniel, brother of Jonathan.

VII Hiram, was the youngest son of the third Daniel. His brothers were:

Lorin, who was a physician of some note, and Godfrey, who was a Methodist minister.

He also had sisters, but their names my informant does not remember. Was collector of the Port of New York and married a Miss Tappan.

Genealogy of the Barney Family in New England

Obtained by Professor F. W. Brown of Franklin College, Indiana, from a family in Jefferson County, New York. (His mother was a Barney.)

I Jacob Barney of Salem, freeman, 1634, had born John, baptized 1639. He was Representative in 1635–38–47–53, and died in 1673, aged seventy-two years.

II Jacob of Salem, son of the above, probably born in England, married in August, Hannah Johnson, and had born Josiah who came to Rehoboth with Joseph about 1690. Hannah died in 1659 and Jacob afterward married Ann Witt, and had children, Hannah, born in 1661; Sarah, 1662; Abijah, 1663; Jacob, 1667; Ruth, 1669; Dorcas, 1671; Joseph, 1673; Israel, 1675; Jonathan, 1677; Samuel, 1679; and Hannah, 1681, who married John Cromwell. Jacob, second, of Boston, was one of the founders of the First Baptist Church of that town. (Died February 12, 1692.)

III Joseph, son of the second Jacob, born March 6, 1673, married Constance Davis, daughter of James and Elizabeth Davis of Haverhill, Massachusetts, and had children born: Elizabeth, 1694; *Daniel*, 1697; Joseph, *John*, Esther, Ann, Sarah, Anna. Of these Elizabeth married Joseph Mason, son of Elder Joseph Mason of Swansea.

IV Daniel married Alice (or Freelove) Wheaton, daughter of Ephraim, and granddaughter of Elder Robert Wheaton, and had children born: Mary, 1729;

Constant, 1731; Betsey, 1733; Ann, 1734; Daniel, 1736; Sarah, 1738; David and Jonathan, 1741; and Beniah, 1744.

V Daniel married Rachel Bowen and had children: Daniel, Nathan, *Jonathan*, Peleg, Nancy, Reuben, Ebenezer and Rhoda.

VI Jonathan married Elizabeth (Betsey) Mason, daughter of Marmaduke Mason and had children: *Mason*, born in 1782, Rachel, Hannah, Nathan, Jonathan, Betsey, Henry, Nancy, Anthony, Alanson and Matilda.

VII Mason married Martha Smith, daughter of Constant and Martha Galusha Smith, of Swansea, and had children: Angeline, born in 1802—December 9; Edwin October 24, 1804; Mason, December 18, 1806, on which date Martha died. In November, 1812, he married Polly Grant, daughter of Benjamin Grant and Esther Brown Grant, and had children: Martha, born December 19, 1813; Jonathan, December 6, 1815; Mary, November, 1817; Betsey, May 30, 1820; Rodman, February, 1823; Esther, December, 1825; and Mason, August 25, 1828.

Angeline married John D. Mason, son of Joseph and Elizabeth Davis Mason, and had children: Elizabeth, Angeline and Esther.

Edwin married Abby Luther, daughter of Peleg and Mary Luther, and had children: Edwin, Elizabeth and Charles.

Martha married her cousin, William A. Franklin, son of William and Rachel Barney Franklin, and had children: Amanda, Augustus, Mason and George. Jonathan died unmarried.

Mary married Enos S. Conkling of New York and had children: Mary Kate and Fred Barney.

Betsey married in 1844, Charles Smith, son of Joseph and Hannah Wheaton Smith of Warren, Rhode Island, and had children: Charles Williams and Bessie.

Rodman married Elizabeth Seymour of Barrington and had children: Esther, Algernon and Jonathan. Esther G. Barney died at the age of eighteen, unmarried.

Mason is still unmarried.

Daniel went to the Black River region,, married and settled. He was a doctor and had three sons and two daughters. Lorin was a doctor of some eminence. He lived to the great age of ninety-three years. In 1884, Hiram was collector of the Port of New York. Between the years 1858 and 1860, Godfrey was a Methodist preacher, which was the last we knew of him.

In 1776, Constant, brother of Daniel, fifth, went to New York State, not far from Lebanon Springs. He had sons. Dr. Asa Barney was the eldest. There was another who was a doctor, and there was still another, David, some time later.

Angeline Barney Mason, 1893.

Ann Barney married Jacob Sanders March 4, 1733–4.
Haverhill Town Records.

Rachel Barnee married John Mansfield Aug. 18, 1724.
Andover Town Records.

BARNEY

Sudbury, Massachusetts, Vital Records

Births

I John, son of Thomas and Mary
Born February 8, 1717–18

II Thomas, son of Thomas and Mary
Born May 2, 1720

III May, daughter of Thomas and Mary
Born August 29, 1722

IV Elizabeth, daughter of Thomas and Mary
Born May 15, 1726

BARNEY

Sudbury, Massachusetts, Vital Records

Marriages

Benjamin and Abigail Cutting
Married March 15, 1730-31

Ester and Jonathan Snow
Married May 11, 1727

Hannah and Philip Kitely
Married February 28, 1721–22

John and Comfort Sparhawk
Married December 14, 1779, in Natick

Mary and Daniel Snow
Married July 20, 1721

Thomas and Martha Bruce
Married January 13, 1742–43, in Woburn

BARNEY

Sudbury, Massachusetts, Vital Records

Deaths

Thomas Barney
Died December 24, 1729

Copy of original material furnished by Roderick D. Barney, son of Hiram H. Barney, Cincinnati, Ohio, born in Belleville, Jefferson County, New York, November 6, 1835.

HIRAM H. BARNEY

Born	Lyden, Vermont,	October 7,	1804
Died	Wyoming, Ohio,	August 25,	1886

Son of

JOHN BARNEY

Born	Guilford, Vermont,	April 2,	1778
Died	Belleville, New York,	September 1,	1869

Son of

EDWARD BARNEY

Born	Rehoboth, Mass.,	August 18,	1749
Died	Belleville, New York,	August 9,	1839

Son of

JOHN BARNEY

Born	Rehoboth, Mass.,	May 17,	1730
Died———			

Son of

JOHN BARNEY

Born	Rehoboth, Mass.,	April 2,	1703
Died———			

Son of

JOSEPH BARNEY

Born	Salem, Mass.,	March 9,	1673
Died———			

(Evidently a generation or two omitted)

Son of

JACOB BARNEY

Born	in England (Wales?)	1601
Died		1673

BARNEY

I Jacob

II Jacob

III Joseph

IV Daniel

V Constant

VI Reuben

VII Nathan Finney

VIII Reuben

IX Percy Canfield

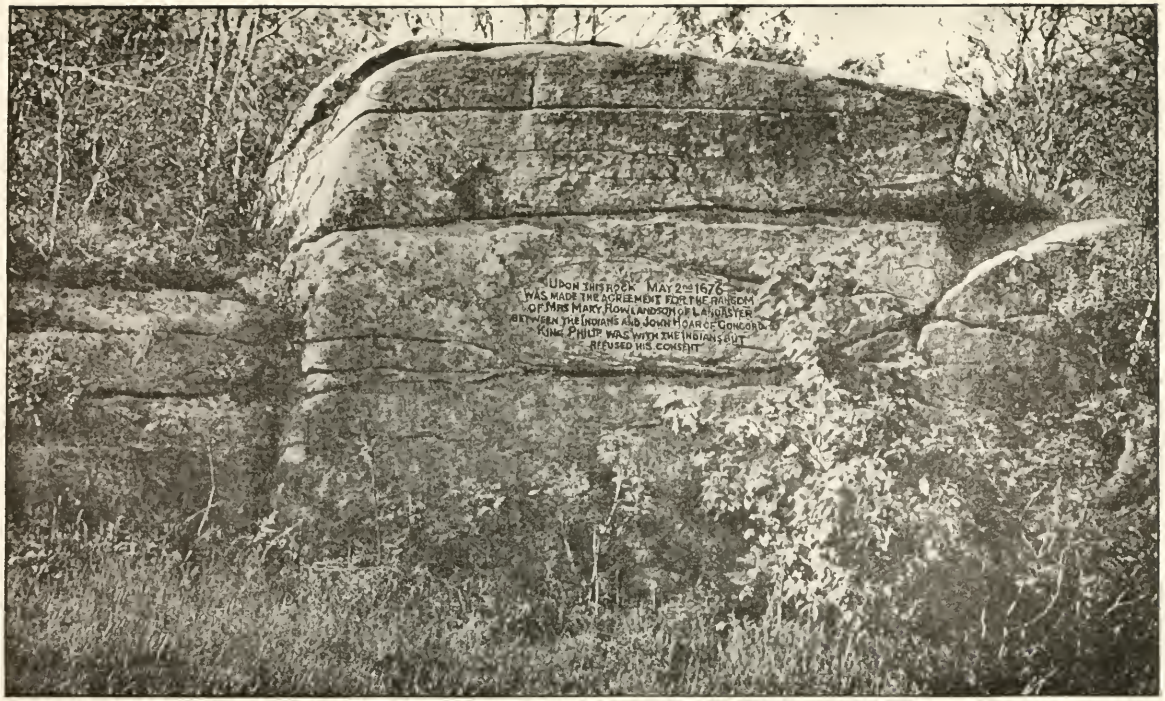
King Philip's War

The capture of Mrs. Rowlandson was one of the saddest events of King Philip's War and called out unusual sympathy. The Indians held their prisoner for a ransom and she remained in captivity from February 10 to May 2. During this time she was compelled to travel from place to place with her Indian captors. Mrs. Rowlandson and her wounded babe were taken by their captors up the hill about a mile the first night. She was a close observer, and after her release wrote and published a detailed account of her captivity. The title of the book was "Mrs. Rowlandson's Removes." Soon after her capture, great efforts were made to ascertain the amount necessary for her release. At last, Mr. John Hoar of Concord, with two friendly Indians, met the sachems near Wachusett Hill and on May 2 received and conducted Mrs. Rowlandson to Lancaster, and the next day to Boston. The account of the information that "the daughter was come in at Providence" and the reuniting of the family later, is extremely pathetic. James Hosmer, the second, married Sarah White, sister of Mrs. Rowlandson, captured by the Indians at Lancaster in King Philip's War.

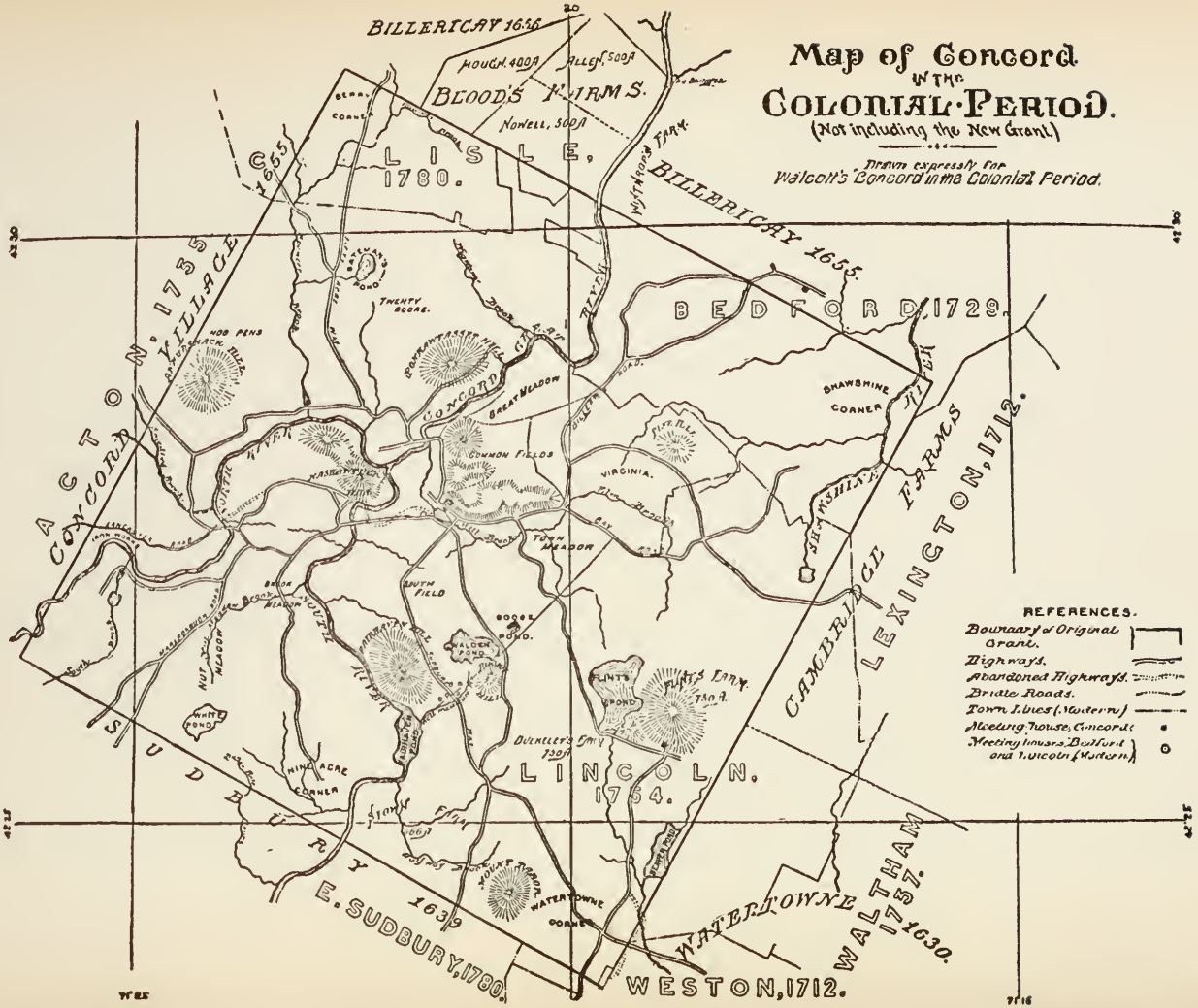
The place where Mr. Hoar met the sachems is well identified, being marked by a large rock called "Redemption Rock," a landmark near the ancient Indian trail between Lancaster and Wachusett, and in the present town of Princeton on the easterly side. The locality is known as "Everettville." In 1880 Honorable George F. Hoar of Worcester, a lineal descendant

of the chief actor in this transaction for the English, purchased the land containing this site and set it apart for memorial purposes, and caused the following inscription to be placed upon the face of the rock:

Upon this rock May 2d, 1676,
was made the agreement for the ransom
of Mrs. Rowlandson of Lancaster,
between the Indians and John Hoar of Concord.
King Philip was with the Indians but
refused his consent.



Redemption Rock


Map of Concord
in the
Colonial Period.
(Not including the New Grant)
Drawn expressly for
Walcott's Concord in the Colonial Period.
BILLERICAY 1656
BLOOD'S FARMS.
LISLE.
1780.
BILLERICAY 1655.
BEDFORD, 1729.
ACTON, 1735
CONCORD VILLAGE
CONCORD
GREAT MEADOW
COMMON FIELDS
VIRGINIA.
TOWN MEADOW
SHAWSHINE CORNER
CAMBRIDGE FARMS
LEXINGTON, 1712.
SUDBURY
E. SUDBURY, 1780.
WESTON, 1712.
WATERTOWNE
WALTHAM
1757.
1630.
LINCOLN.
1764.
FLINT'S LANE.
WALDEN POND
WATERTOWNE CORNER
REFERENCES.
Boundary of Original Grant.
Highways.
Abandoned Highways.
Bridle Roads.
Town Lines (Western)
Meeting House, Concord
Meeting houses, Bedford and Lincoln (Western)

HOSMER

JAMES HOSMER

HARRIET HOSMER
JAIRUS SIDNEY BARNEY

EVERETT HOSMER BARNEY

GEORGE MURRAY BARNEY

HOSMER—BARNEY

1635 1634

HOSMER

I James Cambridge 1635 (settled in Concord soon after)

II Stephen

III Stephen

IV Ephraim

V Joel

VI Harriet (married Jairus Sidney Barney)

VII Everett Hosmer Barney

VIII George Murray Barney

JAMES HOSMER
1635

Site of the First James Hosmer House, Concord, Massachusetts
Everett Hosmer Barney in the Foreground

I — JAMES HOSMER[1], son of Stephen and Dorothy Hosmer, the immigrant of the family in Massachusetts, was born in 1607 in England. He came from Hawkhurst, Kent County, to America in the ship "Elizabeth," sailing April 9, 1635, aged twenty-eight years, with his wife Ann aged twenty-seven, and children, Marie aged two years and Ann aged three months; also maid servants, Marie Donnard aged twenty-four, and Marie Martin aged nineteen. Jo Ston aged forty, Edward Gold aged twenty-eight, George Russell aged nineteen, Jo Massell aged fifteen. He was a clothier by trade. He settled at Cambridge, Massachusetts, and was admitted a freeman May 17, 1637. He sold land there before 1638. He removed to Concord, Massachusetts, where his descendants have been numerous. He had a brother, Thomas Hosmer, who also settled in Cambridge where he was a proprietor as early as 1633; was admitted a freeman May 6, 1635; was town officer there, but removed

to Hartford, Connecticut and is progenitor of the Hosmers in that state. These were the only two pioneers of this surname.

James Hosmer died February 7, 1685, Concord, Massachusetts. His first wife Ann was born 1608. He had a second wife Mary, who was buried May 11, 1641. His third wife Elinne (Ellen, also given Alice in some records) died March 3, 1664–65.

Children of James and Mary Hosmer:

1. Mary
   Born 1633, England
   Died young

2. Ann
   Born 1635, England
   Died young

3. James
   Born 1637
   Married Sarah White, daughter of John White, October 14, 1658
   Slain in the engagement with the Indians at Sudbury, April 21, 1676, in King Philip's war.

House on the Original Lot of James Hosmer the First
Concord, Massachusetts

King Philip's Oak, Wrentham, Massachusetts

4. Mary

Born January 10, 1639, Concord

Died August 18, 1642

5. Stephen (by wife Alice)

Born November 27, 1642, Concord

Died December 15, 1714, Concord

6. Hannah

Born 1644, Concord

Married Joseph Hayward, October 26, 1665

Died December 15, 1675

7. Mary

Born April 14, 1646, Concord

Married Thomas Smith, son of Thomas and Mary (Knapp) Smith

II—STEPHEN[2], son of James and Ellen (or Alice as in some records) Hosmer

Born November 27, 1642, Concord, Massachusetts

Married March 24, 1667, Abigail Wood, born April 10, 1642. Died January 5, 1717, Concord, daughter of Michael Wood and grand-daughter of William Wood, the immigrant of Concord

Died December 12, 1714, Concord

Children of Stephen[2] and Abigail (Wood) Hosmer

1. Mary

   Born May 2, 1668

   Married (first) Samuel Wheeler, son of John and Sarah (Larkin) Wheeler, born July 6, 1664, Concord, Massachusetts, died December 20, 1717; (second) John Bellows, December 5, 1721

2. Abigail

   Born November 6, 1669

   Married August 14, 1695, George Wheeler, son of William and Hannah (Buss) Wheeler

   Died December 27, 1717

Site of the House of Stephen[2] Hosmer
Acton, Massachusetts

3. John

Born August 31, 1671

Married Mary Billings, May 12, 1699, daughter of Nathaniel and Jane (Bannister) Billings, born 1680

Died 1751

4. Ruth

Born August 25, 1675

5. Dorothy

Born December 10, 1677

Married March 8, 1711, John Wheeler

6. Stephen

Born June 27, 1680

7. Hannah

Born December 9, 1682

8. James

Born June 27, 1685

Died September 28, 1685

III—STEPHEN[3], son of Stephen[2] and Abigail (Wood) Hosmer

Born June 27, 1680, Concord. He moved to Acton, or rather he resided in that part of Concord that became the town of Acton. Was selectman 1729

Married February 26, 1707, Prudence Billings, born 1685, daughter of Nathaniel and Jane (Bannister) Billings, died 1770

Died December 21, 1754

Children of Stephen[3] and Prudence (Billings) Hosmer:

1. Prudence

   Born about 1709

2. Stephen

   Born 1709

3. Jonathan

   Born March 29, 1712

4. Josiah

   Born October 8, 1714

   Married Hannah Wesson April 11, 1738

   Had son John born June 17, 1752

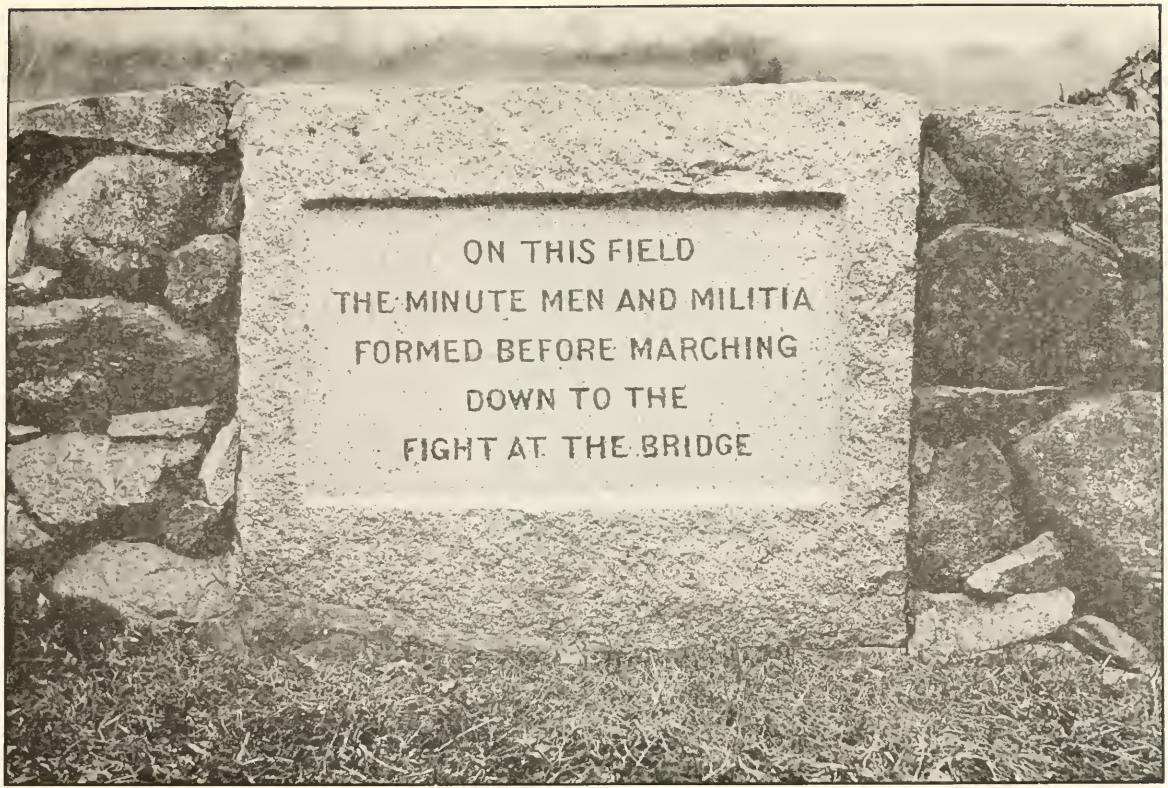
Homestead of Stephen[3] Hosmer
Acton, Massachusetts

Home of Deacon Jonathan Hosmer the First
Born March 29, 1712, Acton, Massachusetts

Abner Hosmer, son of Jonathan, was born here August 26, 1754
Killed in the Concord Fight, April 19, 1775

ABNER HOSMER

A RELATIVE OF EVERETT HOSMER BARNEY


ON THIS FIELD
THE MINUTE MEN AND MILITIA
FORMED BEFORE MARCHING
DOWN TO THE
FIGHT AT THE BRIDGE

Woodlawn Cemetery
Acton, Massachusetts

Woodlawn Cemetery
Acton, Massachusetts

The Battle Monument
Concord, Massachusetts

5. Jane
   Born 1717

6. Abigail
   Born 1719

7. Ephraim
   Born 1722

8. Sarah
   Born 1725

9. Huldah
   Born 1729

IV—EPHRAIM[4], son of Stephen[3] and Prudence (Billings) Hosmer

Born November 22, 1722, Acton, Massachusetts

Married Sarah Jones daughter of Samuel Jones of Acton about April 28, 1753. (This is the date of record of their intentions; their marriage is not recorded). Born January 5, 1733, Acton, Massachusetts. Died October 2, 1823

Died March 16, 1811, Acton, Massachusetts

Children of Ephraim[4] and Sarah (Jones) Hosmer:

1. Sarah

   Born November 1, 1754

   Died October 22, 1774

2. Ephraim

   Born June 22, 1756

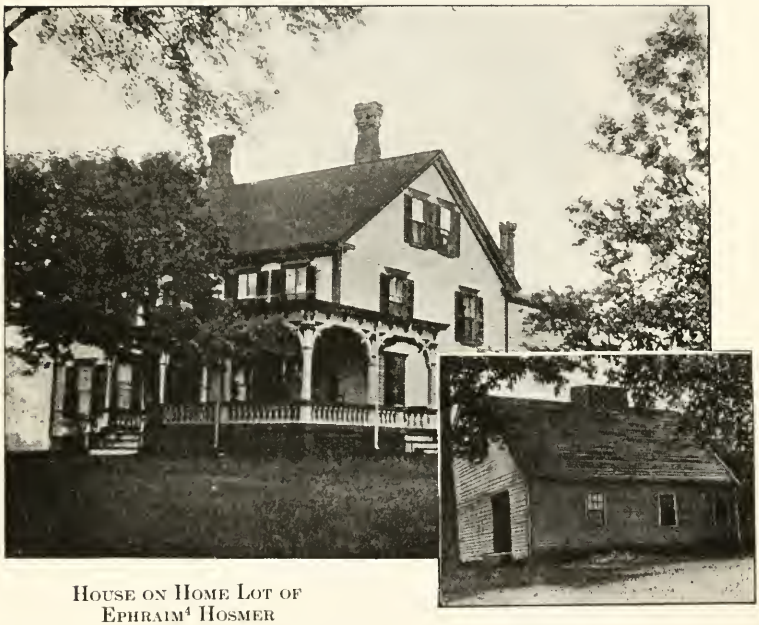
3. Prudence

   Born September 6, 1758

   Died October 15, 1774

4. Samuel

   Born September 11, 1761



House on Home Lot of
Ephraim[4] Hosmer

A portion of original house of James[2] Hosmer still remaining

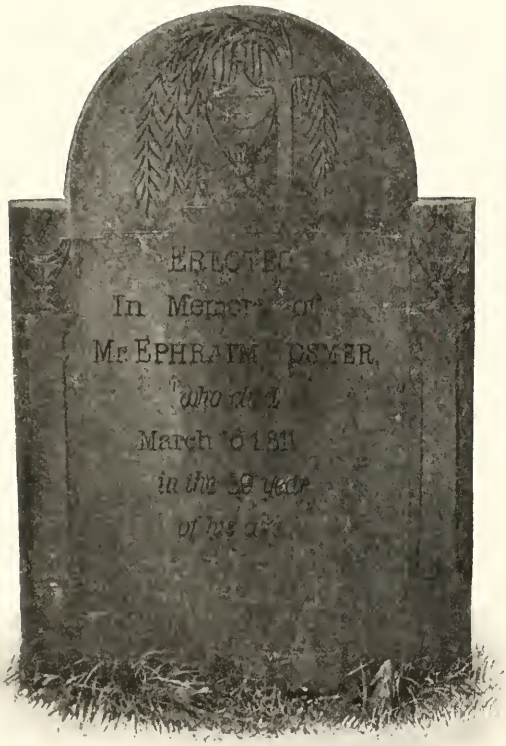
House in which the brothers and sisters of Joel Hosmer died

Ephraim, brother of Joel, lived here later and Joel's wife died here November 8, 1884

Part of the original house built by James Hosmer, son of James the first, who married Sarah White, sister of Mrs. Rowlandson, taken captive by the Indians at the burning of Lancaster, Mass., in 1676.

EPHRAIM HOSMER

GREAT-GRANDFATHER TO EVERETT HOSMER BARNEY



Woodlawn Cemetery, Acton, Massachusetts

5. Silas

   Born September 30, 1763

   Died November 4, 1774

6. James

   Born January 14, 1766

   Died October 12, 1774

7. Amos

   Born December 27, 1767

   Died November 7, 1774

8. Joel

   Born May 27, 1770

   Died April 14, 1830

9. Charles

   Born April 23, 1772

   Died November 8, 1774

10. Artemas

    Born December 27, 1773

V—JOEL[5], son of Ephraim[4] and Sarah (Jones) Hosmer

Born May 27, 1770, Acton, Massachusetts

Married 1795, Esther daughter of Jonathan Wheeler of Littleton, born June 27, 1767. (Intention of marriage April 11, 1795, recorded in Ashburnham, Massachusetts Vital Records), died November 8, 1844

Died April 14, 1830, Acton, Massachusetts

Children of Joel[5] and Esther (Wheeler) Hosmer:

1. Rebecca

   Born March 27, 1797, Acton, Massachusetts. (Record of baptism July 16, 1797, Ashburnham Vital Records.)

   Married January 1, 1818, Aaron Hayward, Acton, Massachusetts

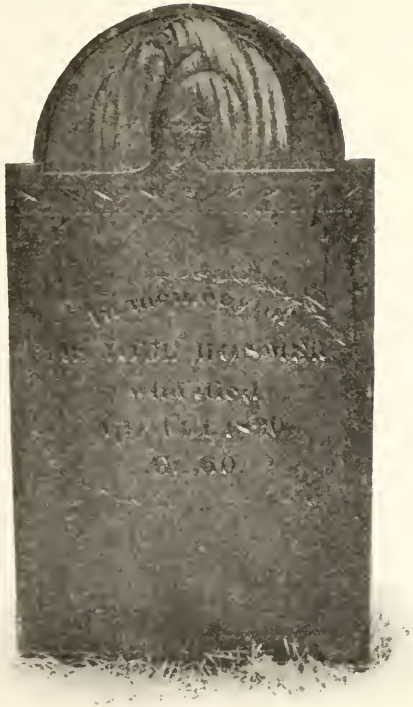
   Died August 14, 1844
   Buried Acton, Massachusetts

2. Nancy

   Born September 7, 1799, Acton, Massachusetts

Hayward House, Acton, Massachusetts

Occupied by Haywards for generations. Aaron Hayward, nephew of James Hayward, who was killed in the Battle of Lexington, April 19, 1775, lived here. Aaron married Rebecca Hosmer, sister to Harriet Hosmer—mother of Everett Hosmer Barney



Woodlawn Cemetery, Acton, Massachusetts

Married Josiah Russell, lived in Princeton, Roxbury and Wayland, Massachusetts. Born August 19, 1792, died March 3 1858

Died June 1, 1884

Buried Wayland, Massachusetts

3. James

Born March 30, 1802, Acton, Massachusetts

Died October 30, 1861

Children: Henry Edward born 1842

Buried Millis, Massachusetts

4. Harriet

Born February 5, 1805, Acton, Massachusetts (mother of Everett Hosmer Barney, Springfield, Massachusetts). Married Jairus Sidney Barney, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts, October 14, 1827, Acton, Massachusetts. Died August 16, 1847, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

Buried Saxonville, Massachusetts

5. Edmund

Born September 9, 1807, Acton, Massachusetts. Unmarried

Died May 5, 1843

Buried Acton, Massachusetts

6. Ephraim

Born November 26, 1812, Acton, Massachusetts

Married Elizabeth Priest

Died March 5, 1871

Buried Fitchburg, Massachusetts

VI—HARRIET[6], daughter of Joel[5] and Esther (Wheeler) Hosmer

Born February 5, 1805, Acton, Massachusetts

Married October 14, 1827, Jairus Sidney Barney, Saxonville - Framingham, Massachusetts

Died August 16, 1847

Children of Jairus Sidney and Harriet (Hosmer) Barney:

1. Edmund H.

   Born September 13, 1828, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

   Died June 16, 1829

2. Susan A.

   Born May 14, 1830, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

   Married D. H. Byrnes

   Died December 3, 1860

3. William H.

   Born December 28, 1831, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

   Died April 4, 1857

4. Edward A.

Born November 24, 1833, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

Died May 3, 1836

5. Everett Hosmer

Born December 7, 1835, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

6. George W.

Born January 26, 1838, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

7. Eugene H.

Born August 11, 1840, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

Died January 27, 1861

8. Helen C.

Born October 30, 1842, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

Died June 2, 1861

9. Adel V.

Born May 7, 1845, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

VII—BARNEY, EVERETT HOSMER[7], son of Jarius Sidney[6] and Harriet (Hosmer) Barney

Born December 7, 1835, Saxonville-Framingham, Massachusetts

Married Eliza Jane Knowles

Born Belfast, Maine, June 30, 1830

Died April 29, 1905

Son:

George Murray Barney

Born March 27, 1863

Died May 29, 1889

VIII—BARNEY, GEORGE MURRAY[8], son of Everett Hosmer[7] Barney

Born March 27, 1863

Died May 29, 1889

George M. Barney

HOSMER, EPHRAIM, Concord, son of Ephraim and Sarah (Jones) Hosmer was member of Concord company that marched to Roxbury March 4, 1776, to reinforce the Continental army. He was paid an allowance for travel from Ticonderoga, one hundred and eighty miles. Sworn to February 16, 1777.

(Great-uncle of Everett Hosmer Barney.)

Battle Monument, Concord, Massachusetts

In memory of Mr. James
Hayward son of Capt.
Sam.l & Mrs. Mary Hayward
who was Killed in Concord
-fight. April 19th. 1775 Age
25 years and 4 days.
This monument may unborn ages tell,
How brave young Hayward like a Hero fell;
When fighting for his Countrys Liberty,
Was slain, & here his Body now doth lye;
He & his foe were by eachother slain,
His Victoms blood with his ỳ Earth did stain;
Upon ỳ field he was with victory Crown'd,
And yet must yeald his breath upon that ground
He exprest his hope in God before his death
After his foe had yielded up his breath:
O may his death a lasting witness lye,
Against oppressors bloody cruilty.

Early House Lot of the First James Hosmer

An early house lot of the first James Hosmer, tradition informs us, was at the Central village on the present Main street, near the Public Library. His next house lot was situated between the Assabet and the south branch of the Musketaquid rivers.

It is stated that faint traces of the cellar are still visible.

Southwest of the paternal estate was the home of James Hosmer, Junior, who was killed by the Indians at Sudbury in 1675.

His house was near the present bridge of the Fitchburg Railroad a little to the eastward of the depot at Concord Junction. Formerly a little stream near by afforded sufficient water power for a small flax mill which the Hosmers owned and operated.

James Hosmer, Senior, added to his original land grant till his domain extended nearly to the "Nine Acres," and included various detached and outlying parcels of land. His grave is among many of his contemporaries in the Hill Burying Ground.

The site of the ancient homestead is now grass grown; only an earth dent remaining to identify it. But the associations to those who are conversant with the surroundings are eloquently suggestive, and remind one of distant years when the elder James Hosmer drove his cattle to pasture and perhaps plodded on from his early morning task to raise the gate of his little flax mill, thereby to furnish the prepared material for the fine linen of the townsfolk.

The Old North Bridge at Concord

The old North Bridge spans the little stream where the minute-men of Concord faced the British grenadiers on the 19th of April, 1775. The plain granite monument which stands near it was erected in 1836, as an inscription upon it declares, "In gratitude to God and in the love of freedom." A poem by Ralph Waldo Emerson recited on the day the monument was dedicated, has become immortal:

By the rude bridge that arched the flood,
  Their flag to April's breeze unfurled,
Here once the embattled farmers stood,
  And fired the shot heard round the world.

The foe long since in silence slept;
  Alike the conqueror silent sleeps;
And Time the ruined bridge has swept
  Down the dark stream which seaward creeps.

On this green bank, by this soft stream,
  We set to-day a votive stone;
That memory may their deed redeem,
  When, like our sires, our sons are gone.

Spirit, that made those heroes dare
  To die, and leave their children free,
Bid Time and Nature gently spare
  The shaft we raise to them and thee.

The granite monument stands on the site of the bridge from which the English soldiers fired on the minute-men.

The slain Americans were Captain Isaac Davis and Abner Hosmer of the Acton minute-men. (Abner Hosmer was great great-uncle of Everett Hosmer Barney.)

On the American side there has been erected a statue representing "The Minute-Man."

Some of the red-coats who fell in the historic skirmish are buried near the bridge. In 1875, these unknown and nameless warriors received recognition when, on a stone forming a part of the wall near by, were cut the words: "Grave of British Soldiers."

Graves of the British Soldiers Killed in the Fight at Concord Bridge, April 19, 1775

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